

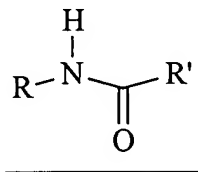
CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A toner comprised of a sulfopolyester resin, a colorant and an alkyl amide;

wherein the alkyl amide is represented by the formula



wherein R is an aliphatic saturated hydrocarbon or an unsaturated hydrocarbon, each with from about 2 to about 100 carbon atoms, and R' is an aliphatic saturated hydrocarbon or an unsaturated hydrocarbon, each with from about 2 to about 100 carbon atoms.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Original) A toner in accordance to **claim 1** wherein said alkyl amide has a melting point of from about 60°C to about 140°C.

4. (Original) A toner in accordance to **claim 1** wherein said alkyl amide has a melting point of from about 95°C to about 125°C.

5. (Original) A toner in accordance to **claim 1** wherein the alkyl amide is stearyl stearamide or stearyl erucamide.

6. (Original) A toner in accordance to **claim 1** wherein said sulfopolyester is selected from the group consisting of the sodium or lithium salt of copoly(1,2-propylene-dipropylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly (1,2-propylene-dipropylene terephthalate), copoly(1,2-propylene-diethylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,2-propylene-diethylene terephthalate), copoly(1,2-dipropylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,2-propylene terephthalate), copoly(1,3-butylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly (1,3-butylene terephthalate), copoly(1,2 dipropylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,2-propylene terephthalate), copoly(1,3-butylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,3-butylene terephthalate), and copoly(1,2-propylene-diethylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,2-propylene-diethylene terephthalate).

7. (Currently Amended) A toner in accordance to **claim 1** wherein said sulfopolyester resin possesses a number average molecular weight of from about 2,000 grams per mole to about 100,000, ~~or about 20,000 to about 75,000~~ grams per mole, a weight average molecular weight of ~~from about 25,000 to about 125,000~~ or from about 4,000 grams per mole to about 250,000 grams per mole, and a polydispersity of from about 1.8 to about 17 as measured by gel permeation chromatography.

8. (Original) A toner in accordance to **claim 1** wherein the sulfopolyester resin has a glass transition temperature of from about 50°C to about 65°C.

9. (Cancelled).

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Cancelled).

12. (Cancelled).

13. (Original) A toner in accordance with **claim 1** wherein the colorant is carbon black.

14. (Original) A toner in accordance with **claim 1** wherein the colorant is cyan, magenta, yellow, black, or mixtures thereof.

15. (Original) A toner in accordance with **claim 1** wherein the sulfopolyester resin is selected in an amount of from about 75 to about 90 weight percent of the toner, the colorant is selected in an amount of from about 3 to about 15 weight percent of the toner, the alkyl amide is selected in an amount of from about 5 to about 20 percent by weight, and wherein the total of said components is 100 weight percent of the toner.

16. (Currently Amended) A toner in accordance with **claim 1** wherein the alkyl amide is ~~ethylamide, propylamide, butylamide, pentylamide, hexylamide, cyclohexylamide, octylamide, dodecylamide, hexadecylamide, octadecylamide, oleamide, eucamide, stearamide, behenamide; secondary monoamide examples are~~ behenyl benenamide, stearyl stearamide stearyl oleamide, stearyl ~~eucamide~~ erucamide, eucryl stearamide, behenyl behenamide, ethylene bis(oleamide), or ethylene bis(stearamide).

17. (Currently Amended) A toner in accordance to **claim 16** wherein the sulfopolyester resin is the sodium salt of copoly(1,2-propylene-dipropylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,2-propylene-dipropylene terephthalate) or lithium salt of copoly(1,2-propylene-diethylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly (1,2-propylene-diethylene terephthalate) in an amount of from about 70 to about 75 weight percent of toner; the alkylamide is stearyl stearamide or stearyl ~~eucamide~~ erucamide in an amount of from about 10 to about 15 weight percent, and the colorant is cyan, black, magenta or yellow, each present in an amount of from about 5 to about 12 weight percent of toner.

18. (Original) A developer comprised of the toner of **claim 1** and carrier.

19. (Original) A developer comprised of the toner of **claim 16** and carrier.

20. (Cancelled).

21. (Cancelled).

22. (Original) A toner in accordance with **claim 1** wherein said amide is stearyl stearamide, and said sulfopolyester is the sodio salt of (1,2-propylene-dipropylene-5-sulfoisophthalate)-copoly(1,2-propylene-dipropylene terephthalate).

23. (Cancelled).

24. (Cancelled).

25. (Cancelled).

26. (Currently Amended) A toner in accordance with **claim 1** wherein ~~said resin is a sulfonated polyester, and~~ said hydrocarbons each contain from about 5 to about 75 carbon atoms.

27. (New) The toner of **claim 1**, wherein R is a hydrocarbon with from about 10 to about 40 carbon atoms.

28. (New) The toner of **claim 1**, wherein R' is a hydrocarbon with from about 10 to about 40 carbon atoms.

29. (New) A toner comprising a sulfopolyester resin, a colorant and an alkyl amide;

wherein the alkyl amide is stearyl stearamide or stearyl erucamide; and

wherein the sulfopolyester resin possesses a number average molecular weight of from about 2,000 grams per mole to about 100,000 grams per mole, a weight average molecular weight of from about 4,000 grams per mole to about 250,000 grams per mole, and a polydispersity of from about 1.8 to about 17 as measured by gel permeation chromatography.